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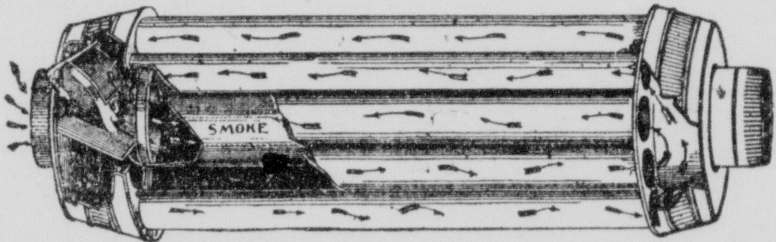
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—A. Mann is up from Eldena.
—Prof. Steinmann was in Polo on business.
—Frank Brauer of Gap Grove is quite ill.
—Owen Woods of Amboy is at the Keystone.
—Attorney D. W. Baxter was down from Rochelle.
—J. T. Cullen of Clinton, Iowa, was here last evening.
—W. A. Dutcher spent several days this week in Polo.
—Nancy Dodson went to Polo today to visit over Sunday.
—Mr. and Mrs. William Grub were visitors from Palmyra.
—Edward Benjamin who has been so ill is able to be up today.
—N. W. Bradford of Evansville, Indiana, was a visitor here.
—Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Leake were visitors from Temperance Hill.
—Rev. A. R. Bickenbach returned this afternoon from Chicago.
—E. C. Munson of Indianapolis is with Loveland & Stiteley today.
—Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Lewis and Miss Alice Newman were in from Lee Center.
—Roy Bear and Ed. and F. Dayton of Sterling were at the bazaar last night.
—This will be the last evening of the chicken show. Your should attend it.
—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brierton and daughter, Miss Pearl, are up from Amboy.
—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Senneff and daughter, Miss Nellie, were here from Woonung.
—Charles Walgren is out from Chicago. He has not entirely recovered from his illness.
—The annual election of officers of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held Monday evening, Dec. 12.
—Pine Creek Garrison, Knights of the Globe will serve oysters at their hall next Tuesday evening.
—Miss Anna Beister returned to Sublette this morning after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Art Williams.
—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morris of East Boyd street, North Dixon, have a new baby boy at their home.
—Miss Alice Anderson of Maquoketa, Iowa, is stopping over Sunday with Mrs. W. C. Jones, on her way east.
—Mrs. Martin Detrick yesterday came home on the noon train after a three months visit in Pennsylvania and Ohio.
—We are glad to note that ex-Sheriff Josiah L. Gray is preparing to remain in Dixon, he having rented a house in Highland Park.
—William Rink lost yesterday from his wagon between town and poor farm a portion of a vise that the finder should return to him.
—The young ladies' cane drill will be repeated at the bazaar in C. J. Rosbrook's hall this evening, the closing night. Be sure and go.
—The council of St. Paul's Lutheran church will meet in the lecture room this evening at 8 p. m. All members requested to be present.
—J. C. Smith will show the smallest phonograph in the world at the Military Bazaar from supper time to hour of program this evening.
—A marriage license was granted this morning to Charles M. Marvin and Miss Christena Pfetzing, both of Franklin Grove and aged each twenty-one. They start even.
—New 'phones on the County line just placed are as follows: North Dixon depot, 284; J. E. Byington, residence, 294; Bert E. Raymond, residence, 297; Crawford & Deput, elevator, 284.
—Rev. H. C. Leland was called to Eau Claire, Wis., on the early train this morning by the serious illness of his mother. Arrangements were made before his departure for the usual church services tomorrow.
—The Nonpareil Club of North Dixon gave a surprise party last night on Arthur Harms, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Harms of Palmyra. They were well repaid for the cold ride by the good cheer and warm greeting received at the Harms home.
—Henry Coe has at his place of business on Hennepin avenue a section of bamboo about three inches in thickness and a foot long, brought home by Ed. Smith of Co. G. There is some ornamental carving upon it and a record of the chief events participated in by Co. G. Mr. Coe also has a cane made from a coffee tree sprout from the same place.

NEW YORK STORE SCORCHED.
A Bad Fire Well Controlled—Origin Unknown—No Alarm at Water Works; Standpipe Pressure Only.
A fire that promised to destroy the Brooks building and several adjoining buildings was discovered at 11 o'clock last night in the New York Store in Brooks' building on Galena avenue by a woman who lives over the Chicago Steam Laundry who told Lawrence Timmins. C. F. Ball was, we believe, the first on the scene. The alarm to the city fire hall went from the Central Union Telephone office, and the horses acting beautifully yanked the hose wagon, Chief Graff and his two assistants, Coffey and Cupp, to the place in short time. And they did quick and effective work.
George Detrick was the only member of the volunteer fire company to assist, so we are told, but the boys claim to have a grievance, that must be fixed up, for last night their service might have been greatly needed. Chief Graff says that he was assisted nicely by private citizens—Joe Reuland, C. F. Ball, Alex Turner, Clarence Stackpole, Porter Eastwood, E. Fritz, Nick Bly, A. J. McDougall and Policeman Andy Phalen. When Henry Dey rang the public alarm many were on the street homeward bound from the Military Bazaar, so that a large crowd gathered.
At first no blaze could be seen through the windows, the store room being black with smoke. When the large, plate-glass windows were broken by the heat within and the cold without the draft caused the flames to show in all parts of the store. Streams of water from the front and rear soon smothered all flame.
We know of but one complaint and that is serious. No alarm was given at the Water Works and Engineer James Boyer was in bed when one hour after the fire began, a friend, Ed. Winders, by accident telephoned to him and asked him if everything was all right. James asked what he meant and an explanation followed that gave him the first inkling he had had that there was a fire. The force of water was from the standpipe only, and had that been exhausted the flow would have stopped until the engines had been started. Had the fire reached the upper stories of the building (and it is a great wonder that it did not) there would have been no water force to reach it with. It was 12 o'clock when Jimmie was warned. It should be somebody's first duty to alarm the engineer for the full force of water is quite necessary for successful work. The proprietors of the New York Store, Messrs. P. T. Bartholomew and M. C. Crocker, who live at 153 Third street, were not informed about the fire until 1 a. m., and the store presented a sad-saden sight to them this morning. Smoke and water has about ruined everything in the store. A few hats in a glass case were unharmed.
Unfortunately they had reduced their insurance about two months ago. The insurance companies of course will set the amount of loss on the damaged stock. From an examination of the interior it is impossible to say where the fire started. The stove pipe is down but that was probably knocked down by the force of water from the hose. Smoke permeated to the rooms above, filling M. M. Miller's tailor shop and the lodge room on the third floor where the German Odd Fellows, Mutual Protection Society, John Dixon Garrison, and Catholic Order of Foresters meet, but did no damage. It also filled the rooms to the north over the Tillson Drug Co's store; occupied by Dr. C. C. Kost and J. P. Haynes' photograph gallery. Mr. Haynes and family live there and were very naturally alarmed for fear the blaze would reach the basement of the drug store where so much oil is kept.
INSURANCE:
There was insurance amounting to \$9,100 on building and stock, the loss on stock alone being about \$8,000, insurance \$5,200.
J. N. Sterling had \$3,900 as follows: On building in Royal, \$2,000; on stock Continental \$750; Greenwich \$750. On fixtures Rucker lodge, Commercial Union \$400. Plate glass—
Loveland & Stiteley have \$1,500 on the building in the Providence of Washington.
Smith & Crabtree have \$1,500 on the stock and \$200 on fixtures in the Liverpool.
Hess & McCleary have \$1,500 in the Home Mutual and \$500 in the American of Newark on the stock.
NOTES.
Charles F. Ball thoughtfully sprinkled salt on the icy walk after the fire was out.
First Joe Reuland and then George Detrick had a single-handed catch-as-

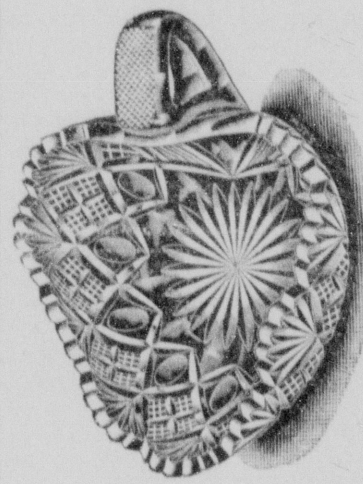
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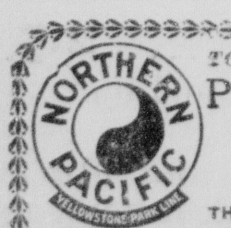
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STAMP TAX CHANGES.

Amendments Proposed for the War Revenue Law Are Quite Numerous.

SOME ARE TO SAVE LITIGATION.

Congress Asked to Say Who Is to Pay the Tax on Telegraphic Dispatches and Express Orders and Packages—Tax on the Sugar Trust and Standard Oil To Be Collected Monthly — Anglo-American Reciprocity Commission.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The following amendments to the war tax measure have been recommended by the treasury department to the committee on ways and means:

In paragraph 1, section 2, relative to bankers, insert in the proper place the following: "Undivided profits shall be considered as surplus in estimating the tax due from banks, the amount to be estimated by taking the average for the preceding year; provided, that the word 'capital' shall not be understood to mean money borrowed or received from time to time as deposits in the usual course of business from any person not a partner or not interested in the bank, association or firm."

Matter of Commercial Brokers.
Relative to "commercial brokers," the supreme court held in the case of Slack vs. Tucker, 23 Wall 321 that persons who receive into their possession any goods or merchandise and sell them on commission cannot be regarded as commercial brokers. This relieves many persons who would otherwise be liable. There is no tax imposed on commission merchants, auctioneers or real estate agents or brokers. There seems no special reason for singling out commercial brokers and requiring a special tax from them, especially as the tax falls, in the main, on a poorer class of people. It is recommended that the tax on commercial brokers be repealed, or that other classes of business—such as commission merchants and real estate agents—be also required to pay special tax.

Covers Some Bank Transactions.
Add to the paragraph in schedule A, relative to bank checks, the following: "Provided that papers, in the nature of receipts or otherwise, used as bank checks or orders for the payment of money, shall be taxable as checks, except in the case of withdrawal of funds from savings banks by a depositor on presentation of his bank book," or else impose a tax on all receipts. Provided that any instrument purporting on its face to be a statement of weights or rates of merchandise, when cashed as a check or order for the payment of money, shall be held liable to stamp tax, the same as a check.

To Settle a Litigated Point.
Under the head of "express and freight" amend by providing distinctly who shall affix and pay for the stamps required on receipts or bills of lading. The stamp tax on mortgages or pledges, schedule A, should be removed, also, on the assignment or transfer of mortgages, leases, policies of insurance, renewals of agreements, etc. As there is a tax on promissory notes the tax on mortgages is double taxation and falls on the debtor class.

Strike out under the head of "contracts" the provision taxing brokers' note or memorandum of sale of goods or merchandise, stocks, bonds, exchange, notes of hand, real estate, or property of any kind or description issued by brokers or persons acting as such, 10 cents. If brokers pay the special tax required, that should be deemed sufficient.

NOTES A TROUBLESOME PROVISION.

One-Cent Telegraphic Dispatch Tax Needs Explanation, It Is Claimed.

Repeal the paragraph in schedule A imposing a tax of 10 cents on "certificates of any description required by law," because of the difficulty and uncertainty of determining what certificates are taxable. This provision has occasioned more difficulty in its construction and application than any other provision in this schedule.

Amend the paragraph imposing 1 cent on telegraphic dispatches so as to make it definite and certain as to who is to affix and pay for the stamp, the telegraph company or the person who sends the dispatch.

Amend section 20 so as to eliminate from the section the provision that no stamp tax shall be imposed upon any uncompounded medicinal drug or chemical.

Amend the provision of section 27 imposing excise tax on persons, firms, companies and corporations engaged in refining petroleum and sugar so as to require the tax to be assessed and paid monthly.

Amend section 28 relative to stamp tax on parlor car and sleeping car tickets by providing a penalty for failure to affix stamps. No penalty is provided as the law stands, as the tax is not imposed under schedule A, where it properly belongs.

Add to section 29, fifth subdivision: "Provided, that when a person entitled to a legacy or beneficial interest in such property is an alien or has resided outside of the United States for a period of five years, the tax or duty upon the share of such person shall be at the rate of 50 per cent and every \$100 of the clear value thereof, without regard to any degree of consanguinity that may exist."

That section 3394 of the revised statutes be made to read as follows: "None of the packages of smoking tobacco and the cut chewing tobacco and cigarettes prescribed by law shall be permitted to have attached thereto, or connected with them, any article or thing whatever other than the manufacturers' wrappers and labels, the internal revenue stamp and the tobacco cigarettes respectively, put up therein, on which tax is required to be paid under the internal revenue laws; nor shall there be affixed to, or branded, stamped marked, written or printed upon, said packages or their contents, any promise or offer of, or any order or certificate for, any gift, prize, premium, payment or reward."

Anglo-American Commission.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The meeting of the Canadian joint commission at the Arlington yesterday was followed by quite a long session of the Canadian

commissioners at their own quarters. It is now stated that owing to the unsettled condition of the commission's work it is impossible to say positively whether or not the commission will adjourn before the holidays. This may indicate either a favorable or unfavorable state of affairs between the two sets of commissioners, but it is hardly thought probable by those who have watched the progress of negotiations that an amicable settlement can be reached before Christmas.

Plan of the Industrial Commission.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The industrial commission has been engaged as a body during the greater part of the week in considering the plans of proceeding with the work before it which have been prepared by the various sub-committees appointed on the questions in hand. These plans cover the four important branches of the work—agriculture, mining, manufactures and transportation—and the sub-committees have all completed their work so far as they are able as such to do so. A committee of revision was appointed. When this work is completed and the full commission shall have finally entered the work of its representatives the sub-divisions will take up their assignments in earnest.

As to Wheeler's Resignation.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Major General Wheeler authorized the following statement yesterday as to reports that he had decided to resign from the house of representatives: "I was surprised to see what purports to be an interview about my resigning from congress. I have never gone further than to say that I would consider the question when I had time and would take such action as my friends would approve. Thus far, however, I have reached no final conclusions."

Beer Tax Will Remain.

Washington, Dec. 10.—It is asserted that congress will at present pay no attention to the appeal of the United States Brewers' association for a repeal of the war tax of \$1 a barrel on beer. A member of the republican steering committee of the senate says: "There will be no attempt to modify the war tax at this session. Next session, however, certain features will be repealed."

Women to Oppose a Polygamist.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The Presbyterian Home Mission society, comprising 200,000 women, is opposed to allowing Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, who has a plurality of wives, to take his seat in congress. A meeting of the home missions executive board will be held in New York Dec. 20 to organize opposition to Roberts.

DOUBLE WRECK ON THE RAIL.

Three Men Killed and the Mother of One of Them Dying of the Shock.

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 10.—Three persons killed, three wounded and the mother of one victim dying of the shock caused by her son's death is the result of two wrecks on the Clarion River railroad near Portland mills, in Elk county, Wednesday. A train loaded with pulp wood was being hauled down the steep grade near Portland mills, and the rear end was left on top of the hill, owing to the slippery tracks. While the front end was descending the rear of the train became unmanageable, dashed down the hill and crashed into the front section. Both sections were wrecked and brakeman Thomas Brunselman was instantly killed. An engine with a crew of five men was ordered back to clear up the wreck.

The work was completed and while the train was returning the engine jumped the track and rolled over an embankment. The engineer, Harry Carman, was fatally injured and died later. Foreman Daniel Myers has since died, and three brakemen—Sowers, Cassidy and M. Knight—were all badly injured. When young Carman's invalid mother was acquainted of her son's death she lapsed into unconsciousness and her death is momentarily expected.

ROPE BREAKS AT A HANGING.

Body of the Victim Falls to the Ground—Second Attempt Successful.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 10.—John Andersen, the condemned murderer of Mate Saunders, of the schooner Olive Pecker, was executed in the city jail yesterday. The trap was sprung, and Andersen's body shot downward. The rope parted just inside the knot and his body fell to the cobblestones. Officers and witnesses rushed to the body and snatched the cap from his head to find blood oozing from mouth, nose and eyes. Andersen was carried up the stairs to the platform, and placed in a chair but never spoke.

The other end of the rope was adjusted around his neck. He was raised to a standing position and the straps again placed on his limbs. While being supported by the officers the trap was again sprung. In twenty-three minutes life was pronounced extinct. Ten minutes elapsed between the first and second drops. Andersen's neck was broken, supposedly by the last drop.

Murderer Attempted Suicide.

Liberty, Mo., Dec. 10.—Ernest Clevenger, who murdered Henry Allen and fatally wounded his cousin Della Clevenger in a church near Missouri City, Thursday night, was lodged in the county jail here yesterday. Della Clevenger is still alive, but cannot recover. Clevenger has a gunshot wound on his head. He attempted suicide after his escape from the church.

Arbitration on the Glass Scale.

Pittsburg, Dec. 10.—Attorney O. D. Thompson, of this city, has been selected by the manufacturers to represent the American Glass company in the arbitration of the questions now at issue between the manufacturers and the Window Glass Workers' association.

Car Load of Property Lost.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 10.—In settling up accounts a car load or more of government property is reported lost from Camp Hamilton hospital, quartermaster's department. Nobody seems to know where it is.

Illinois Military Changes.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 10.—Captain James P. Sherwin has resigned as adjutant of the Second Illinois infantry volunteers, but his successor has not yet been appointed by Governor Tanner.

Scarlet Fever Epidemic.

Molineau, Ills., Dec. 10.—Scarlet fever has been declared an epidemic at Molineau, Ills., and all schools have been closed and public meetings prohibited.

NEW YORKERS FIRST.

Empire State Volunteers Will Lead the Boys in Blue Through Havana.

EN ROUTE TO PINAR DEL RIO.

They Will March Through the Capital of Cuba, the First United States Troops to Have That Honor—Gen. Davis Expects No Trouble in Ruling His Province—Interesting Testimony Given the War Investigators.

Havana, Dec. 10.—The first United States troops to march through the streets of Havana will be the Two Hundred and Second New York regiment, which with band playing and colors flying will march tomorrow from the San Jose wharf, after landing there from the transport Minnewaska, through the heart of Havana to the western railroad station. The line of march will be through the Prado and Central park. These troops will be sent to Pinar del Rio province, General Davis, with the general headquarters staff and one battalion, will be at Pinar del Rio City, the regimental headquarters. General Davis and his staff landed at noon yesterday and reported to General Wade. He breakfasted with General Greene. All on board are well. The Two Hundred and Second New York reached Cuba yesterday.

Castellanos Makes No Objection.

No objection has been made by General Castellanos to the march through the city. The plan at first was to march today, but the Western Railway company has not rolling stock enough to move the regiment with the mule trains and baggage and stores—in all ninety-seven carloads—at one time; so that the baggage and teamsters were sent today and the regiment tomorrow. It is intended that the first appearance of the United States troops in Havana shall have an impressive moral effect upon the Cubans. Wednesday a number of Spanish soldiers gathered in the vicinity of San Jose wharf to get a look at their late adversaries. Friendly gestures were made on both sides. The Spaniards commented upon the large size of the American men. The regiment will take forty days' rations. Camp sites have been selected, but no work has been done on them and the men will have to make their own camps.

Davis to Govern Pinar del Rio.

Until further notice Gen. Davis will exercise the functions of military governor of the province of Pinar del Rio, now completely evacuated. The oath of allegiance will be administered to the mayors of the towns and other civic officials. The existing authorities are to be continued, with modifications to suit future conditions. General Davis has had a conference with General Wade, who acquainted him in part with the instructions the latter had received from Washington. The correspondent of the Associated Press called the attention of General Davis to the fact that he would find Cuban troops occupying Pinar del Rio City and asked him what he should do.

"The authority of the United States must be recognized as paramount," he replied, "but I can see no reason why the Cuban troops may not remain organized as military companies, though naturally when the necessity for their remaining in arms shall have passed I suppose they will disband. I have no apprehension of trouble."

COLONEL HECKER EXAMINED.

He Denies a Statement Made by Ryan—Abner McKinley's Name Mentioned.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The transportation to Spain by the United States of the Spanish prisoners surrendered at Santiago was taken up by the war investigating commission yesterday, and Col. Hecker, who made the contract for the United States, was recalled to testify on this point. He said there had been a combine of New York shipping concerns which would have caused an outlay of \$1,400,000, while the actual outlay was \$513,000. The lowest bid was from a Philadelphia junk dealer, who, however, had no visible means of executing the contract and admitted his own doubt as to getting sufficient bond. This Philadelphia, Colonel Hecker testified, protested against not being awarded the contract on the ground he had "a chance to make some money out of it."

Asked if he was ever approached by Abner McKinley relative to the purchase of ships Colonel Hecker replied: "Never but once. He spoke to me once about a water barge for which there was no use at the time, and I so informed him. I never had any other communication from him, either directly or indirectly."

"What part did the firm of which Abner McKinley is a member play in the sale of ships?" asked ex-Governor Woodbury. "None at all, as to the army," replied Colonel Hecker. "I do not know as to the navy."

Colonel Hecker read a long statement signed by one William E. Ryan, detailing the alleged methods of the transportation bureau in connection with the attempted sale of certain ships to the government. Colonel Hecker said he did not know Ryan. Asked as to Ryan's charge that there was a subordinate in Colonel Hecker's office who exercised much influence and could be approached, Colonel Hecker replied that the negotiations were conducted directly, and that no subordinate in the office could have exercised any influence. That was the first direct charge of corruption he had seen against himself, as he considered himself responsible for what went on in his office. He should, he said, like to be confronted with Ryan.

Surgeon A. E. Appel and Major A. H. Appel, his brother, testified favorably as to the camps, etc., at Tampa and Miami, Fla. The major also had charge of the Olivette, which went with Shafter to Cuba. She had aboard equipment and supplies sufficient to accommodate 200 patients for two weeks. The wounded from the Quasimas fight were put aboard the Olivette. He had no applications from the medical corps ashore for medical supplies. He denied that the ship purposely remained off shore to avoid the importunities of medical officers ashore. The Olivette went north July 7 with 275 patients aboard. It had

all necessary supplies aboard. Witness described the case of Lieutenant William Tiffany. He was a convalescent from malaria. He was on deck every day, and when landed at Boston seemed in good condition. It was not a fact that he could not retain food on his stomach. He gained strength steadily during the voyage.

He didn't know exactly when Tiffany left the ship. He advised him to remain until he disposed of the enlisted men, but when he inquired Tiffany had gone. "Could it be said that Tiffany, who died within seventy-two hours, starved to death?" asked Dr. Connor.

"It could not," replied Major Appel emphatically. Tiffany during the voyage had expressed himself as well pleased with his treatment. Witness did not regard him as a very sick man. He was distinctly a convalescent.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS GOOD.

Real Winter Weather Has a Great Effect—Many Encouraging Features.

New York, Dec. 10.—Bradstreet's says: Business conditions continue of a most encouraging character. A very satisfactory feature, and one full of encouragement to all wholesale lines of trade, is the activity shown in retail trade in nearly all markets. Reports received as to the holiday trade proper point to the present year constituting a record-maker in this respect. The importance of the early arrival of real winter weather to the retail distribution of heavy clothing and similar seasonable goods can hardly be over-estimated.

In the wider domain of general trade and industry perhaps the most notable feature has been the continued activity at advancing prices shown for most classes of iron and steel, but particularly pig iron and steel billets. Export trade continues encouraging. Increased supplies consequent on the heaviest movement from farmers' hands ever known have constituted a bearish feature in wheat prices this week, notwithstanding continued heavy shipments abroad.

Steadiness of prices has been a notable feature of business this fall, though the natural drift of values has been toward a higher level. Of 107 staples 40, or little less than one-half, are unchanged as the result of the month's work, 32 staples advanced and only 25 declined; as compared with Dec. 1 a year ago 54 staples, or slightly more than one-half, are higher, 42 are lower and 11 are unchanged.

Business failures in the United States this week number 237, as against 212 last week, 292 in this week a year ago, 381 in 1896, 313 in 1895 and 333 in 1894.

Miners Ask Better Wages.

Mount Vernon, Ills., Dec. 10.—W. T. Morris, state organizer of the miners' union, and D. B. Huggins, president of the Seventh district, were here and the membership of the union was increased nearly seventy-five, and there are now but two non-union men employed in the Mount Vernon coal mines. The miners here ask that they be paid the Springfield scale, which is 50 and 43 cents a ton, respectively, for hand and machine work. The men now receive 40 and 35 cents a ton, and it is not probable that the company will grant the increase.

Quay Has Wanamaker Subpoenaed.

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—Counsel for Senator Quay in the conspiracy charges for which he is to be tried next week has subpoenaed ex-Common Pleas Judge James Gay Gordon and ex-Postmaster General Wanamaker as witnesses for the defense. This step is regarded as interesting in view of the statements recently made by Senator Penrose that the charges against Senator Quay were the result of a conspiracy to defeat him for re-election to the United States senate and in his place name a person favorable to Wanamaker and Gordon.

Illinois Volunteers Sail for Cuba.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 10.—Two battalions of the Second Illinois regiment, of Lee's corps, went on the transport Michigan last night and sailed this morning for Mariano. The transport Mobile arrived yesterday from Philadelphia and will sail tomorrow with the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana regiment and the Third battalion of the Second Illinois.

Railway Will Increase Wages.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 10.—It is authoritatively stated that the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway, on Jan. 1, will increase wages 5 per cent, thus placing the wages of operatives on the same scale they were two years ago.

Woman Commits Suicide.

Jacksonville, Ills., Dec. 10.—Mrs. John Mann, of Franklin, a small town in the east part of this county, committed suicide by throwing herself in a well. She was 50 years of age and had a large family.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

General Garcia is suffering with pneumonia at Washington.

Japan is reported to have offered \$200,000,000 for the Philippines.

Stockholders of the Boston National bank have voted to go into liquidation. The temperature at Denver yesterday morning was 19 degrees below. At Valentine, Neb., it was 20.

William Armstrong and Jas. Sharples were killed by escaping gas while repairing a gas main at Chicago.

John Q. Charles, a well-known pioneer, lawyer and capitalist, of Denver, Colo., is dead. He was born at Belleville, Ills.

A severe blizzard is raging all over Texas. Wire communication is more or less interrupted south of Dallas by heavy snow.

Rather than be taken to the Old People's Home at Altemheim, Fred Shack killed himself at Chicago by cutting his throat. He was 79 years old.

Owing to the failure of Bedford, Pa., physicians to correctly diagnose the disease, over 200 persons suffering with smallpox have been walking the streets.

Robert McIlhenny, John Wright and John Moore were killed by an explosion at the Dupont Powder works, Wilmington, Del. Six others were seriously hurt.

It now appears that three men did lose their lives by the West Superior (Wis.) coal dock fire. Their names are Tobel Paulson, John N. Peterson and H. Olsen.

The architects who planned and erected the Wonderland theatre building, at Detroit, were declared responsible for the fatal collapse of that structure Nov. 5 last.

HOME COMFORT.

Comfort in a Small Compass—Dixon People Interested.

It's a nice thing to be able to carry comfort in your pocket, have it at home and take with you in your daily vocation. No one can be comfortable with any itchiness of the skin. Irritations of any nature, such as eczema, piles or like troubles make you miserable all day long and restless all night. Relief means comfort. Perfect cure means happiness. Both relief and cure are near at hand for everyone who uses Doan's Ointment. Everybody who tries it becomes an enthusiast and always has a box about to make life comfortable for himself and family. Plenty of Dixon people will endorse our claims for it. Read what this citizen says.

Mr. Jacob A. Broad, Jeweler & Optician, of 311 First avenue, Sterling, Illinois, says: "The experience I had with Doan's Ointment and Doan's Kidney Pills proved the inestimable value of both of these remedies. In July, 1898, while in the country visiting I poisoned my hands and face. The intense itching was almost intolerable and I naturally looked for some remedy to allay it. An advertisement which I noticed in one of our papers about Doan's Ointment led me to procure a box at a drug store. A few applications had the desired effect, at first gently relieving the irritation and finally disposing of it. About the same time I procured Doan's Kidney Pills for Mrs. Broad, who was complaining of her back and kidneys. She says she derived more benefit from the use of this medicine than from any other preparation she ever tried. It is a pleasure to know of such reliable agencies as Doan's Kidney Pills and Doan's Ointment proved themselves to be."

Just such emphatic endorsement can be had right here at home. Drop into Horton's drug store and ask what his customers report.

Doan's Ointment for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S.

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Nature makes a strong fight against disease, but there are times when it needs assistance to drive out the enemy. Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Blood Purifier supplies the needed help and will soon restore the body to a healthy, vigorous condition. It exercises a stimulating influence over the organs of digestion and assimilation, strengthens the appetite, brightens the eye, and imparts the rosy bloom of health to the cheek. Price 50c and \$1 a bottle. For sale by the A. H. Tillson Drug Co.

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Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 14 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. Rowland Brothers.

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The ice water is said by physicians to be the principal cause of the alarming increase in Kidney diseases. The earlier symptoms are backache, headache, indigestion, bad breath, tongue furred, a feeling of languor and indisposition to work, nervousness, etc. These are but warnings and if heeded at once and recourse is had to proper remedy the disease may be eliminated. Bethesda is palatable, with no offensive odor or taste, and will surely relieve all these alarming conditions. Sold only in sealed half-gallon bottles, by all druggists. Address, for booklet,

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CAR TO CALIFORNIA leaves Chicago
every Monday on the Central's fast
"New Orleans Limited" and runs
through to Los Angeles and San Francisco,
via New Orleans, in connection
with the Southern Pacific Co. The
Limited also connects at New Orleans
daily with express train for the Pacific
Coast and on Mondays and Thursdays
at New Orleans with the Sunset Limited
of the Southern Pacific, given special
through service to San Francisco.

HOMESEEKER'S EXCURSION
SOUTH.—Tickets to certain points
SOUTH on the lines of the Illinois
Central and Y. & M. V. R. R.'s, will be
sold from Dixon, Ill., station on Tues-
days Oct. 4, 18, Nov. 1, 15 and Dec. 6
and 20, at the rate of one fare plus
\$.20 for the round trip. For a Free
Copy of the 1898 edition of the Home-
seekers' Guide, describing the advan-
tages and resources of the South, ad-
dress J. F. Merry, A. G. P. A., I. C. R. R.,
Dubuque, Iowa. For information
regarding lands in Southern Illinois
or in the famous Yazoo Valley of
Mississippi, address E. P. Skene, Land
Commissioner, I. C. R. R., Chicago.

HOMESEEKER'S EXCURSIONS
WEST.—On Dec. 6 and 20, Homeseek-
ers' Excursion tickets will be sold from
Dixon, Ill., station to all points on the
Illinois Central in South Dakota, Minn-
eota and in Iowa west of and includ-
ing Ackley, as far as Le Mars, and to
Waverly and points north at one fare
plus \$.20 for the round trip return
limit good for 21 days.

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HOPE FOR AN ALLIANCE

Keynote of a London Times Edi-
torial on the Anglo-Amer-
ican Entente.

BELIEVES THE COMBINE IS COMING.

Madrid Editor Writes Bitterly of the
Maine Catastrophe—Spaniards to Have
a Protest in the Peace Treaty—Reference
of the Maine in the Message an "Insult"
—Boers Making Poor Headway Against
the Natives—Accused of Atrocities.

London, Dec. 10.—The Times, dealing
editorially this morning with the "evi-
dences of strong opposition to the an-
nexation policy in the United States,"
and the rumors that America will re-
sell the Philippines, says: "Despite all
this we believe that the far eastern in-
terests of the United States and Eng-
land will be brought into line and will
be jointly safeguarded by a combina-
tion so strong and imposing that no
other power nor powers could venture
to defy it." The Times thinks the ad-
vocacy by the Chicago Tribune and the
New York Herald of the joint construc-
tion of the Nicaragua canal is signifi-
cant evidence of the dominance of this
feeling, and adds: "Whether or not such
a co-dominion would be entirely free
from objections we hesitate to say, but
that it is suggested is a substantial
proof of friendly feeling."

Ambassador Monson's Speech.
Paris, Dec. 10.—An explanation, evi-
dently emanating from the British em-
bassy here, has been published declar-
ing that the speech recently delivered
by the British ambassador, Sir Edmund
J. Monson, has been misunderstood,
and repudiating any desire to interfere
in the internal affairs of France or
criticize her policy. Moreover, it is
added, the whole attitude of the am-
bassador contradicts the supposition of
malevolent intention.

BOERS NOT VERY SUCCESSFUL.

Magatos Chief Too Much for Them—Al-
leged Atrocities in the War.

London, Dec. 10.—The Cape Town
correspondent of The Daily Mail for-
wards a dispatch which the Transvaal
government had refused to allow The
Daily Mail's Johannesburg correspond-
ent to forward from that point. He
says that the campaign recently in-
augurated by the Boer government
against Chief M'Phe, of the Magatos
tribe, in the Zoutpansburg district has
proved a complete fiasco. The chief has
outmanoeuvred the Boers and is now in
the splendidly fortified mountain
stronghold which he has long occupied
as a center of operations and where he
has assembled a large army.

General Joubert, the commander of
the Boer expedition sent against the
chief, is ill, and with his forces in a
state of semi-mutiny is returning to
Pretoria. The Boers have been guilty
of wholesale butchery of women, chil-
dren and unarmed natives.

SPANIARDS FILE A PROTEST.

It Goes Into the Protocol of the Treaty
When It Is Written.

Paris, Dec. 10.—The Spanish peace
commissioners have filed a protest to go
into the protocol of the treaty when it
is written. It includes an argument in
support of the concessions asked by the
Spaniards, all of which were refused by
the Americans, some of them per-
emptorily and no discussion allowed.
The chief point of the protest, how-
ever, is against that part of President
McKinley's message referring to the de-
struction of the Maine, which is de-
clared an insult to Spain, and it is de-
clared that Spain will submit the ques-
tion to an international tribunal com-
prising France, England and Germany
as to who is responsible for the catastro-
phe in Havana harbor.

Madrid, Dec. 10.—The Imparcial pub-
lishes another inflammatory article on
the subject of the Maine charges. The
paper intimates that the explosion was
the outcome of an intense desire "upon
the part of certain factions in the
United States to see the outbreak of
war, which was unpopular with the ma-
jority of Americans." The Imparcial
adds: "The partisans of the war real-
ized that something startling was neces-
sary to arouse national sentiment—it
was a remarkable chance. Almost all
the Maine's officers were on board an-
other ship at the time of the catastro-
phe. Those who charge the Spaniards
with being capable of such a mon-
strous act are well capable of com-
mitting it themselves." In conclusion
The Imparcial says: "Spain cannot re-
main under an infamous charge. It
would be preferable to give the world
the spectacle of national suicide."

London, Dec. 10.—The Madrid corre-
spondent of The Standard says: "Sen-
or Montero Rios acted under instruc-
tions from the government when he de-
clined to accede to the American de-
mands concerning the Carolines and in-
timated a desire to close the negotia-
tions. Both the government and the
press approve his action and protest
against the conduct of the United
States. Everybody in Spain is pleased
that the negotiations are ended, because
all had been apprehensive that fresh
pretensions on the part of the United
States would be sprung upon the Span-
ish peace commissioners at every sit-
ting."

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 10.—The ex-
tremists of the Cuban Republican party
seem anxious to assume the responsi-
bility for the outrage at the Spanish
club Wednesday evening, when Juan
Castillo, a former Cuban officer, accom-
panied by two negro subordinates, rode
into the club rooms and with their
machetes smashed several lamps and
did other damage. El Porvenir, the or-
gan of this faction, claims that the act
of Castillo "represents the feelings of
a long outraged but now sovereign peo-
ple."

Progress of the Bike Race.

New York, Dec. 10.—Before midnight
yesterday Miller led his own record of
a year ago in the six days' bicycle race,
but at 2 a. m. today he was over three
miles behind the same record. He keeps
his lead of the other riders, however,
and looks like a winner. The score at
2 a. m. for the three leaders was: Mil-
ler, 1,808 miles; Waller, 1,778 miles; 5
laps; Pierce, 1,736 miles, 8 laps.

MUCH EXCITEMENT AT CHICAGO.

Opposition to Fifty-Year Street Car Fran-
chises Stir Up the City.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Democrats, Repub-
licans and citizens irrespective of party
assembled in mass meetings in the vari-
ous wards of the city last night and
declared themselves unalterably op-
posed to any street railway legislation
under the Allen law. Prominent speak-
ers were in attendance at all meetings.
The ward machinery of the Demo-
cratic party took up the cause just as
the executive committee of the Repub-
lican party had a few days previous.
Mayor Harrison called for volunteers
yesterday to help him win the fight
against the fifty-year-franchise ordi-
nances. He also called for the organi-
zation of all citizens opposed to the
extension ordinance.

There has been much talk of "ropes"
for those who vote for the ordinance.
Mayor Harrison yesterday told such
hot-heads that there would be no neces-
sity for ropes as the ordinance could not
pass over his veto, and in the second
place that such talk was out of place
and dangerous. Men were out last
night distributing white badges on
which was printed a gibbet with a
dangling noose, and the words "Anti-
Fifty-Year Steal." It was said that
200,000 had been distributed.

Farmer Found Dead Near Home.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 10.—A Waverly
special to The State Register says that
James A. Reed yesterday morning found
the body of Pierce Jones, aged about 45
years, a prominent farmer residing four
miles from that city, near his home
frozen stiff, with a bullet hole in his
temple. It is believed that he was mur-
dered.

Fatal Game of Soldiers.

Danville, Ills., Dec. 10.—Orville Willis,
aged 6 years, accidentally killed his 3-
year-old sister with a shotgun yester-
day afternoon, at their home in Kelly-
ville. The top of the child's head was
blown entirely off. The children were
alone in the house at the time of the
accident. The boy stated that they were
playing soldiers.

What It Would Cost Wells, Fargo & Co.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—Wells, Fargo
& Co. have filed an answer to a suit re-
cently filed to compel the company to
bear the expenses of war stamps on
packages transmitted by the company
in which it contends that an adverse
decision would compel the company to
pay \$510 a day for war stamps.

More Gold Found in Ohio.

Toledo, Dec. 10.—A company headed
by Thomas Kelly has been organized to
develop a vein of gold discovered in
Auburndale by a workman who was
digging a sewer. The discovery has
caused some excitement here, and Kel-
ly's assay of the find shows the vein to
yield \$500 per ton.

Ten Days of Snow.

Houghton, Mich., Dec. 10.—It has
snowed continually, with but a few
hours' cessation, for the past ten days.
There are three and one-half feet of
snow on the level in the woods, and the
lumbermen are already embarrassed by
too much snow. It is interfering great-
ly with their operations.

Ignored the Dowager Empress.

Peking, Dec. 10.—The new Russian
minister, M. De Giers, presented his
credentials to the emperor yesterday.
The dowager empress was not present.
M. De Giers on his arrival here refused
to present his credentials to the dow-
ager empress. The emperor appeared
to be weak and sickly.

Detroit Vessel Ice-Bound.

Cleveland, Dec. 10.—Captain Little,
of the schooner Mont Blanc, which arrived
here yesterday, reported sighting the
schooner Ganges, owned by W. H.
Oades, of Detroit, frozen fast in a great
field of ice off Bar Point, Lake Erie.

The Weather We May Expect.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Following are the
weather indications for twenty-four hours
from 8 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and Illi-
nois—Fair weather; continued low tempera-
ture till tomorrow; westerly winds. For
Lower Michigan—Threatening weather; brisk
westerly winds. For Upper Michigan—
Threatening weather; brisk southwesterly
winds. For Wisconsin—Gen. rally fair weather;
warmer; fresh southwesterly winds. For
Iowa—Fair weather; not so cold; variable
winds.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, Dec. 9.
Following were the quotations on the
Board of Trade today:

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	62½	63½	62½	63½
May	62½	63½	62½	63½
July	63½	64½	63½	64½

Corn—

December	33	33	32½	33
May	33½	33½	33½	33½
July	34½	34½	34	34½

Oats—

May	25½	26	25½	25½
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Port—

January	9.15	9.17½	9.12½	9.17½
May	9.37½	9.42½	9.37½	9.40

Lard—

January	5.05	5.07½	5.05	5.05
May	5.22½	5.25	5.22½	5.22½

Produce: Butter—Extra creamer-

ies, 20¢/20½ per lb; extra dairies,

16¢; fresh packing stock, 11¢/12¢. Eggs—

—Fresh stock, 22¢/22½ per doz. Dressed

Poultry—Turkeys 8½¢/10¢ per lb; chick-

ens, 6¢/6½¢; ducks, 6¢/7¢; geese, 6¢/7¢

per lb. Potatoes—Common to choice,

27¢/34¢ per bu. Sweet Potatoes—Ill-

inois, 75¢/81.50 per bbl. Apples—Com-

mon to fancy, \$2.00/2.75 per bbl. Cran-

berries—Wisconsin bell and bugle, \$6.00

@ 6.75 per bbl.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 9.

Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day,

43,000; market fairly active, with

prices steady to a shade lower; sales

ranged at \$2.65¢/3.35 for pigs, \$3.20¢/3.40

for light, \$3.25¢/3.30 for rough packing,

\$3.25¢/3.42½ for mixed, and \$3.30¢/3.45 for

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been
made, and that too, by a lady in this
country. "Desease fastened its clutch-
es upon her and for seven years she
withstood its severest tests, but her vi-
tal organs were undermined and death
seemed imminent. For three months
she coughed incessantly, and could
not sleep. She finally discovered a
way to recovery, by purchasing of us a
bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery
for Consumption, and was so much re-
lieved on taking first dose that she
slept all night; and with two bottles
has been absolutely cured. Her name
is Mrs. Luther Lutz. Thus writes W.
C. Haanick & Co., of Shelby, N. C.
Trial bottles free by A. H. Tillson
Drug Co. Regular size 50c and
\$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. 4

Yellow Jaundice Cured.

Suffering humanity should be sup-
plied with every means possible for its
relief. It is with pleasure we publish
the following: This is to certify that I
was a terrible sufferer from Yellow
Jaundice for over six months, and was
treated by some of the best physicians
in our city and all to no avail. Dr.
Bell, our druggist, recommended Elec-
tric Bitters; and after taking two bot-
tles, I was entirely cured. I now take
great pleasure in recommending them
to any person suffering from this ter-
rible malady. I am gratefully yours,
M. A. Hogarty, Lexington, Ky.
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ois.

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derful Cure of Kidney Back-
ache for the Benefit of
Dixon People.

Morrow's Kidneys receive the high-
est possible praise from an Elkhart, In-
diana, business man. If Morrow's Kid-
neys were not a worthy remedy we
claim them to be, it would be impos-
sible to get people living in Elkhart to
praise them. Geo. Towman, the barber
at Main and Franklin streets has much
to say for them, and stronger language
could not be used. Here is what he
says, word for word: "I doubt very
much if there are many people living
who have suffered worse from kidney
complaint, and lived, than I have. My
condition had gradually been growing
worse for years, notwithstanding the
fact that I have used much "patent
medicine" as well as being treated by
physicians which has cost me lots of
money. Only two months ago I paid a
large doctor bill for which I had re-
ceived not one particle of benefit. My
condition had been so bad at times that
I have had to quit work for a week
or more. The pain in the small
of my back was so intense that it se-
emed to me as if I were dying by inches.
This condition made me so nerv-
ous that by spells I was unable
to hold a razor steady. The kidney se-
cretions were highly discolored and ac-
companied by a scalding pain in its
passage. This showed an excessiveness
of uric acid. No one could blame me for
being completely discouraged. I had
begun to believe that my condition was
a hopeless one, when hope took the
place of despair through reading the
many cures effected by the use of Mor-
row's Kidneys. I could no more than
fall (which I had been doing right
along although taking treatment from
physician's and paying doctor bills) if
I gave the Kidneys a trial. I bought
two boxes to start with; it seems almost
incredible when I say that I began to
feel better in twenty-four hours, but
such was the case. Inside of a week
my condition was more improved than
it had been for years from other treat-
ment. Today my backache has en-
tirely disappeared, my nerves have
grown steady and strong and I am per-
fectly free from urinary disturbances
notwithstanding the fact that I work
hard all day. I am so elated over my
present healthful condition that I sup-
pose I have told and recommended Kid-
neys to over thirty of my customers.
I make this statement for publication
with the hope that those who read it
may not delay one moment but stop
their suffering by using Kidneys at
once, for I positively believe them to
be the only cure for this complaint to
be had." The people of Dixon and
surrounding country should be con-
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catch-can wrestling match with a hose nozzle when the water was turned on.

Policeman Phalen got a hard fall.

Niek Bly took a roll over a hose.

A. J. McDougall at the hydrant gave the lads some Chicago fire calls.

The fire was well handled and the firemen deserve great credit.

Our Point of View.

How nice it would be if the Spanish Peace Commission had a Columbus with them to show the American commissioners how to make an egg stand on end.

Rosenthal has cut his hair. We do not, of course refer to our Dixon merchants, but the great ivory clawer. The musical world is excited.

"Too much talked." In our new annexations about one hundred and twenty-five different dialects have been added to this Yankee land.

President McKinley recommends scientific prevention in yellow fever. However, every day plain prevention would answer a fellow who has it.

Cuban dispatches, in noting the departure of Blanco for Spain, state that as soon as he was on board, the "steamer weighed anchor." The Governor General, we presume, were he weighed, would not weigh as much as he did before the war.

Any person desiring a dozen or so islands can now be accommodated. Spain desires to sell the Carolines.

Children do not hang up their stockings in Klondike. You see the nights are three months long.

The boys and girls are having a slick time today skating on the river. It is a splendid big rink and the ice is covered with skaters. Let 'em slide.

Wm. Rink advertises a pair of tongs as having estrayed from his store.

That new Central American Republic, the proposed coalition between the states of Nicaragua, Honduras and Salvador, was short lived, as recent dispatches indicate.

The statement that James G. Blaine's grave is unmarked is a grave charge against all "Blaine men." THE TELEGRAPH you see, was for Washburne in that lost presidential contest between the giants.

His uniform fits him. General Wheeler, of Confederate fame, joined the army last spring because, he said, he desired again to wear the uniform of a United States soldier. He will resign his seat in congress to continue in the army.

Spain's request for a neutral investigation as to the cause of the destruction of the Maine should have been complied with by the American peace commissioners.

The brewers are in woe. The tax on beer leads the saloonkeepers to push the sale of California wines and there is a falling off in beer guzzling. This is sad, for the brewers.

College Notes.

The engineer with his gang of men is still very busy setting up the machinery in the basement of the new dining hall.

The Aurora Society gave a good literary program in chapel last evening.

There was a special orchestra rehearsal in chapel this morning. Prof. Strong is working up a good orchestra, which is much appreciated by the music students.

The Christian societies promise good meetings Saturday evening at 5:45 and Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. These societies are continually growing stronger and their influence among the students is certainly beneficial and desirable.

An excellent program may be expected from the Vespera Society this evening. Several special and original numbers will be interesting features.

The Bible study class which meets at 9 o'clock every Sunday morning is quite well attended and doing very satisfactory work.

Chief Train Dispatcher Smith, for the C. & N. W. Ry. Co., of Chicago, was a recent visitor at the Telegraph Department of the College. Officers of railroad and telegraph companies are always welcome and should come oftener.

With the exception of a few colds, there is no sickness at the College at present, and it is hoped that the students will exercise special care so that there will not be any severe cases throughout the entire winter.

Last Day of the Military Bazar.

With tonight a successful eight-day bazaar held by the Women's Relief Corps and Grand Army of the Republic will be brought to a close. For more than a week Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Mitchell and an able corps of assistants from the two organizations above mentioned have devoted time and attention to the carrying out of plans previously made, involving a vast amount of labor—labor which has been so systematically distributed and so willingly performed, that success could scarcely fail to crown their efforts. Aside from the display of articles for sale in the various booths, of a miscellaneous character, many of them contributed and nearly all of them of a character suitable for the holiday season. Each day our citizens have been served with most excellent dinners and suppers at a trifling expense, and evening programs have been given without additional charge to those who desired to remain. Social enjoyment for their patrons, as well as a pecuniary return, has evidently been the aim of the projectors of the bazaar. Each day's doings concluded with a social dance unaccompanied by any of the unobjectionable features which are sometimes connected with similar occasions. We are glad to chronicle that the efforts of the workers met with encouraging appreciation throughout. Last evening the program was an excellent one and gave much pleasure. The little people from St. Mary's parochial school sang well their melodious songs, and the young folks of the North Side high school gave a fine literary program. Today the bazaar has received the attention of a large number of visitors, many of whom have retired with things that will make other hearts happy in the near future. Tonight the hall should be crowded, both at the supper and the after-entertainment.

THE SAN JUAN FIGHT.

Captain Ducat the First to Take the Hill.

Captain George L. Cartwright, who was senior aid on the staff of Gen. Kent and served with distinction at San Juan and throughout the Cuban campaign, has just returned from Fort Douglas, Utah, where he saw his old comrade, Captain A. C. Ducat, whom he reports almost fully recovered from the terrible wound he received in the storming of San Juan. In an interview yesterday with an Inter Ocean reporter, he awarded to Captain Ducat, formerly of Dixon, the honor of being the first man to reach the top of the famous hill, though he said that no less than three other regiments claim the same honor for one of their number, and the question may not be settled with certainty.

Captain Cartwright says that the statement made by a Spanish officer that they had but 250 men at San Juan is ridiculous on the face of it. There were long trenches, extending around the foot of the hill, which were filled with troops and the blockhouse was well garrisoned. "An officer who was wounded after reaching the summit told me that when he got there he could see two heavy columns of troops retreating, while a third column was then advancing to try to recover the position. I saw something of the fight myself and from all that I have been able to learn the number of Spanish troops engaged at that point was close to 4,000, a force almost equal to the force opposed to them, and with the advantage of a strongly entrenched position."

After relating a number of incidents of the conflict, Captain Cartwright said:

"During the battle I noticed several things that did not at the time strike

CHAD WOODYATT WINS.

The Boy Wonder Plays a Remarkable Average.

Since McMahon of Sterling and our 11-year-old Chad Woodyatt played last night the second 100 in the 200-point game of billiards in this city at Gus Woodyatt's place. In the first game at Sterling last Wednesday night Chad had only made 90 when McMahon scored 100, so last night it was necessary for Chad to make 110 points while his opponent was making 100. He did this easily and when McMahon had counted but 74, McMahon's highest run was 9, while the child ran 14 once, and again 13. Chad's average was 24 at each shot.



Lee County Poor Farm.

Supervisor E. C. Parsons has been spending some time of late supervising the improvements recently ordered by the county board and we learn that Superintendent Fritz is much pleased with the needed additions to his "tavern." As a member of the committee, Mr. Parsons makes report, among other things, of:

New vault of brick and cement, connected with 704 feet of 8-inch sewer tile, with outlet into box connected with 8-inch drain tile in field south of buildings.

Several additional buildings.
New sidewalks connecting buildings, etc.

New cupboards, shelves and tables in kitchen; storm doors; iron hood over kitchen stove; placed filter in cistern; repaired windmill & pump; placed 3 fire extinguishers in building.

For Twenty Years.

Word has been received in this city that Neil Franks and a companion named Smith have recently been sent to the Mississippi penitentiary for killing a negro, the former getting twenty years as the principal and Smith 8 years as an accessory. Franks was known as "Jumbo" about town and the mention of this nickname would throw him into an ungovernable fit of passion, during which he was practically insane. Both he and Smith have been residents of Dixon and about a year ago he threatened the life of a prominent citizen of Dixon for a fancied wrong and was forced to leave town.

W. Waugh Lauder Coming.

Mr. W. Waugh Lauder, the eminent musician who appeared at the Assembly last year, will give a lecture-recital Tuesday evening, December 20, 1898, in the Presbyterian church. Mr. Lauder will give his beautiful lecture on "Customs, Legends, Songs, Carols, Waits and Chimes at Christmas-Tide." Also curious ways of many nations at Yule-tide. This will be followed by a piano-forte recital.

Attention, Comrades!

Members of Dixon Post G. A. R., will meet at the hall at 2 p. m. Sunday to escort the funeral of Comrade Theodore Wilson to the cemetery. Per order of the Commander.

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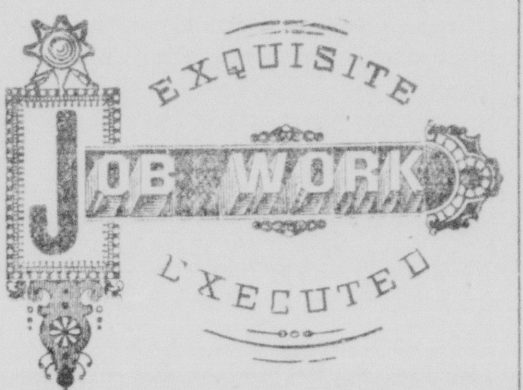
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North Dixon School Notes.

The Eighth Grade organized the Alpha Society for rhetorical work Friday. The officers chosen were Louis Deeter, president; Smith Ayers, vice president; Rilla Webster, secretary.

The Seventh Grade organized the Irving Society with Roy Toodle, president; Herbert Williams, vice president; Katherine Hennessy, secretary. Mrs. E. N. Howell with little daughters visited Mrs. Holbrook and her little folks Friday.

We are pleased to notice visitors in the rooms. It is an encouragement to teachers and pupils and shows a proper awakening interest.

GRAMMAR ROOM—PROGRAM ALPHA SOCIETY.
Recitation—Old Ironsides.....Smith Ayres
Reading—Too Late for the Trail.....Bessie Baker
Essay—Oldest Paper in America.....Pearl Beckingham
Recitation—Too Bad.....Cleve Tompkins
Recitation—Somebody's Mother.....George Curtis
Reading—The Lone Indian.....Ora Clemmer
Biography—Abraham Lincoln.....Olive Dierdorff
School News.....Frederick Eastman
Reading—The Black Horse and His Rider.....William Leake
Pen Portrait.....Maud Leake
Recitation—The Builders.....Elizabeth Leake
Recitation—The Bridgekeeper's Story.....Blanche Post

Reading.....The Watchers of Lake Michigan.....Mamie Rock
Biography of LaFayette.....Pearl Shindlinger
Recitation—Declaration of Independence.....Rilla Webster
Recitation.....Frances McCleary

The subject of designing windows, baskets and book covers has been the work of drawing in several of the rooms this week. Enough of this work will be done that the pupils may have a good idea of how to proceed independently. The meaning of the designs is also being particularly dealt with.

Pupils of the different rooms are noting the thoughtful, earnest side of the subject of drawing.

Mrs. Ricard, Mrs. McCleary and Miss McCleary were visitors in the grammar room Friday afternoon.

Mrs. John McKinstry of Nelson visited in the High School and No. 6 Thursday morning.

Church Announcements.

LUTHERAN.

T. F. Dornblaser, Pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Church services at 11:00 a. m. and 7 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:00 p. m. All cordially invited.

BAPTIST.

Hector C. Leland, pastor. Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Young people's meeting at 6:00 p. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. A cordial welcome to all.

Y. M. C. A.

"Character as Capital" will be the subject of an address by W. L. Harris tomorrow afternoon. All men invited. Meeting begins at 3:30.

GRACE EVANGELICAL.

North Dixon, J. G. Finkbeiner pastor. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. K. L. C. E. at 6 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. A. R. Bickenbach, Pastor. Sunday School at 12 m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:00 p. m. Church service at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome to all services.

ST. LUKE'S.

The Rev. John C. Sage, Rector. Third Sunday in Advent. Holy communion at 8 a. m. Morning prayer, litany and sermon at 10:45 a. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Evening Prayer and address at 5 p. m. Music by the vested choir of sixty. Service leaflets furnished and all cordially invited. The Rector will officiate and preach at both services.

METHODIST.

Rev. J. D. Leek, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at noon. Epworth League at 6 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening of each week. Subject of tomorrow morning's discourse, "The Crown of Thorns." Evening subject, "How to Become a King."

Funeral of Theodore Wilson.

The funeral over the remains of the late Theodore Wilson will be held at the late home in Palmyra at 1 o'clock tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon, Rev. A. R. Bickenbach to preside. The funeral train will be met at the bridge by comrades of Dixon Post No. 299, Grand Army of the Republic, and by brethren of the Masonic order and the service at the grave in Oakwood Cemetery will be under the auspices of these orders. The procession will reach town between 2:30 and 3 p. m.

Funeral at Nachusa.

The remains of Benjamin Kessler who died December 4 in Maryland were buried this morning in the Dunker cemetery near Nachusa. Rev. D. M. Price of Mt. Morris preached the funeral sermon.

FOR MAKING POWDER.

Cellulose May Take the Place of Charcoal in the Manufacture of the Smokeless Article—Gives a More Perfect Combustion.

The head of the Marsden Development Co. received an order a few days ago from the DuPont Mills Co., the largest manufacturers of smokeless powders in the world, for a quantity of the cellulose which is being manufactured at the Rockford factory.

Experiments of late have proven that the use of cellulose gives better results than the charcoal which has always been used in making powder. The reason for this is said to be that the molecules of the carbon gather in tubular form, which, it is stated, prevents a perfect combustion and in the explosion allows a quantity of residue to remain. It is also said that this tubular form of the carbon prevents a perfect working of the chemicals which are used in the manufacture of smokeless powder. The pith of the cornstalk, after being subjected to the processes of the Marsden company, has none of these objectionable features. The molecules of the manufactured article gather in a different form from that of the carbon and its mixture with the other chemicals furnish an almost perfect combustible without any residue being left.

In the past great difficulty has been experienced in getting the cellulose free from foreign matter, but by a new and improved process of manufacture it is thought this has been done. The new cellulose will also take the place of cotton fibre in the manufacture of celluloid.

If the experiments of the DuPont company are successful it will open a large field for the product of the Rockford plant and revolutionize the making of smokeless powder.

From the Lee County Times:

Dr. T. H. Stetler and Frank LaPorte started for the Indian Territory Tuesday morning where they expect to spend 3 weeks in hunting. The variety of game there consists of turkeys, quail, deer, mountain lions and wild cats in sufficient quantities to make their trip more than exciting.

Mendota has appointed a special policeman whose duty is to see the saloons are closed on Sunday. What a farce! Mendota has ordinances and her regular force of police officials should be able to close any saloon which is open on Sunday, or what is better, the city administration should prosecute such violators of the law.

A section of country surrounding Webster City, Iowa, is ablaze with excitement over the alleged wife beatings administered by Nick Casey upon his wife. They formerly lived near Meriden and Pawpaw and Mrs. Casey is a sister of H. C. Craver of Zeoring, Ia. Officers arrested Casey and a mob collected at the depot and the train took the prisoner away none too soon. The daily papers contain dispatches that say Mrs. Casey is lingering between life and death.

Franklin Grove Reporter:

Geo. F. Deitrich, formerly of this place has been elected Auditor of Lyons county, Iowa, where he now lives.

Mrs. Annie Webster of Dixon visited friends in Ashton Wednesday.

Miss Orpha Miller was home from Dixon over Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Hughes of Dixon visited "grandma" Schoonmaker this week.

Mrs. M. Murphy of Dixon was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Stanton, the past week.

Al Meredith commenced cutting ice yesterday on the pond at the railroad culvert. The ice is about ten inches in thickness and is an extra fine quality.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Hausen are now residents of the village, having moved into the old Rooney home purchased by Fred Hausen some time since. Fred will conduct the farm and board with Mr. and Mrs. Will Lott, who moved out to the farm the same day the old people came to town.

The lodge and societies that hold their meetings in the old "Masonic Hall" have an agreeable surprise in store for them when they next convene. The room has been literally transformed and will be hardly recognizable as the old place of meeting. The Reinhardt Hall is the same old hall, and yet not the same. New windows have been put in which improves the appearance both without and within, the walls and ceilings have been repapered with an elegant pattern, and the woodwork painted in light tints that impart a cheerful aspect to the interior. Then the furniture is all in first class repair having been newly upholstered and varnished, and a new Brussels carpet placed on the floor.

Dr. Humphreys' "77."

"77" knocks out the Grip.
"77" breaks up Colds.
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Why They Wore Armor.

To such a pitch of exasperation did the practice of using buttons in the shirt drive the men of the middle ages that they adopted the plan of wearing brass or steel armor, fastened together with metallic bolts. The popular idea that men wore armor in order to fight in it is manifestly absurd, since no man could possibly have fought when incased in half a hundredweight of metal. Armor was worn solely in order to avoid the worry of shirts with missing buttons.

There were distinct advantages connected with the chain steel shirts. When one of these garments came home on Saturday night from the washerwoman, the owner could feel reasonably certain that the metallic clasps at the neck and in the bosom were all in their proper places, for no washerwoman could have succeeded in detaching them without the use of a cold chisel. If it did so happen that the washerwoman's husband had been run over by a steam roller while wearing a steel shirt belonging to one of his wife's customers, and one of the metallic fastenings had thereby been injured, the customer in question could not accuse his wife of negligence and demand to know why she failed to keep his shirts in proper repair.—London Answers.

Russia's Magnificent Churches.

"The churches in St. Petersburg are so magnificent that they go to your head," writes Lillian Bell in The Ladies' Home Journal. "We did nothing but go to mass on Christmas eve and Christmas day, for although we spent our Christmas in Berlin we arrived in St. Petersburg in time for the Russian Christmas, which comes 12 days later than ours. St. Isaac's, the Kazan and Sts. Peter and Paul dazed me. The icons or images of the Virgin are set with diamonds and emeralds worth a king's ransom. They are only under glass, which is kept murky from the kisses which the people press upon the hands and feet. The interiors of the cathedrals, with their hundreds of silver icons and battleflags and trophies of conquests, look like great bazaars. Every column is covered clear to the dome. The tombs of the czar are always surrounded by people, and candles burn the year round. Upon the tomb of Alexander II, under glass, is the exquisite laurel wreath placed there by President Faure. It is of gold and was made by the most famous carver of gold in Europe."

Lucid Explanation.

An Irishman walking over a plank sidewalk, in counting some money accidentally dropped a nickel, which rolled down a crack between two of the boards. The Irishman was much put out by his loss, trifling though it was, and continued on his way, swearing audibly.

Early the next day a friend, while walking by the spot, discovered the Irishman deliberately dropping a dollar down the same crack through which he had lost his nickel. The friend was of course much astonished at what he saw, and desiring to learn why Pat should deliberately, to all appearances, throw away money inquired his reasons and was fairly taken off his feet by the following explanation:

"It was this way," said Pat. "It's yesterday I was passin this way when I lost a nickel down that hole. Now, I reasoned that it wasn't worth me while to pull up that sidewalk for a nickel, but last night a scheme struck me, and I am dropping down the dollar to make it worth me while."—Chicago News.

At the Wrong Door.

"There be a stranger at the outer gate," said the bellboy with a low bow, "who knows not whence he comes."

"Tis passing strange," quoth St. Peter. "What sayeth he concerning his home on earth?"

"But little," exclaimed the youth. "He says that it be located on a river so thick with mud it can be walked across in summer. He says that where he lived, life is held at naught and that money is the one god worshiped. That the most successful pickpocket is the best man, and that one day he may be worth \$2,000,000 and the next be compelled to borrow 10 cents for a plate of baked beans. That it was a city of fat, diamonds and soiled linen, and that"—

War and Soldiers.

Old Thomas Fuller spoke thus of war in his "Holy State": "A soldier is one of a lawful, necessary, commendable and honorable profession; yea, God himself may seem to be one free of the company of soldiers, in that he styleth himself 'a man of war.' Now, though many hate soldiers as twigs of the rod war, wherewith God scourgeth wanton countries into repentance, yet is their calling so needful that were not some soldiers we must be all soldiers, daily employed to defend our own, the world would grow so licentious."

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It is calculated that if the children under the care of the London school board were to join hands they would reach from London to Carlisle, a distance of 300 miles.

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HER PORTRAIT IN THE STONE STAIRCASE OF NEW YORK'S CAPITOL.

The Empress of Russia—Clothes For Hot Weather—Summer Work Among the Flowers—The Bachelor Girl's Waterloo. Women as Waiters.

Mrs. Elmira P. Spencer, one of the oldest if not the oldest member of the Woman's Relief corps, is to receive the distinguished honor from the state of New York of having her likeness carved on the western staircase in the state capitol, Albany. To Colonel Albert D. Shaw, late commander of the department of New York, G. A. R., is due the honor and recognition thus accorded not alone Mrs. Spencer, but all the army nurses of New York. Last March he conferred with Superintendent Aldridge in regard to having placed in the capitol the portrait of some worthy and famous army nurse, cut in stone, to represent the state. The superintendent favored the idea and left the selection to the G. A. R. Colonel Shaw appointed Colonel H. Pyman and Assistant Adjutant General Lester a committee for this purpose. Mrs. Spencer was selected, and the selection was unanimously indorsed by the G. A. R. council of administration.

Mrs. Spencer is well known to the veterans. She volunteered as a hospital nurse in August, 1862, and went with the Forty-seventh New York. Her husband



MRS. ELMIRA P. SPENCER.

band, R. H. Spencer, was a soldier in that regiment. Her first experience as a nurse was caring for the wounded from Antietam.

When the general field hospital was established at Windmill Point, Va., she was made matron. From June 12 to July 1 she marched with the regiment from Falmouth, Va., to Gettysburg. She was moving with the ambulance and supply train, July 1, and was within four miles of Gettysburg when heavy firing was heard. The train was ordered back, but Mrs. Spencer loaded her horse with additional supplies and pressed forward with the First corps until under fire at foot of Seminary ridge. She was at Gettysburg several weeks. At the dedication of the Soldiers' National cemetery at Gettysburg she was personally thanked by President Lincoln.

Upon the opening of the Wilderness campaign she was sent by the medical purveyor with two steamer loads of relief supplies to Belle Plain, Va., where the sick and wounded from the front were being brought by thousands.

On May 25, 1864, the relief base was transferred to Port Royal to meet the wounded being brought there. From Port Royal she went to White House Landing, May 30, 1864.

June 18, 1864, she went to City Point, where hospitals had been established, and resumed her duties as relief agent, which she followed to the close of the war.

At the City Point explosion she was struck in the side by a grape-shot from the exploding ammunition. The government pays her a pension of \$20 a month. Mrs. Spencer is 73 years old, and resides in Oswego, N. Y.—Pittsburg Press.

The Empress of Russia.

The empress of Russia has just completed her twenty-sixth year, and for 3½ years she has worn the very heavy crown of Russia with wonderful grace and dignity. This, too, in spite of the fact that she long and earnestly resisted the imperial honors that were fairly thrust upon her.

At the time of her marriage she was not the least in love with the young czar. Her youth, passed in the almost humble home of her father, the Duke of Hesse, inclined her to look with the greatest distaste on the tedious ceremonial and icy formality of the Russian court, while it went sorely against the grain for her to change her Christian name and her religion, as the Russian laws exact.

As Princess Alix she had passed a simple, happy girlhood, and it was her wish to have married for love, as her plain, kindly sister Irene, now Princess Henry of Prussia, had done. Her desire for a Russian marriage was certainly not increased by the sight of the tragical misery of her beautiful sister Ella, whose husband is the Grand Duke of Serge, uncle of the present czar.

As Princess Ella had been quite powerless to resist her fate, so Princess Alix also yielded to the demands of her family; but, unlike her sister, she found a gentler if a duller consort. By infinite tact she has done much to sweeten and refine the life of the court at St. Petersburg. Her influence is somewhat that of her grandmother's, the queen of England, and she has preserved for herself the right to follow her own religion privately. In all her reforms against court gossip, smoking among her ladies, the admission of notorious men and women in the royal circle and against antiquated foolish forms and ceremonies the czarina is quietly upheld by the solemn, rather stupid young czar, who is said to have the profoundest respect for his wife's beauty and her splendid virtues.

He is in fact very much inclined to

follow her advice, defer to her opinion, and he adores her two rosy, blond daughters. Nearly every year by her will alone he brings her to join her grandmother's household for awhile in the highlands. It is by her pleasure that they also visit every summer her brother and sister in their modest homes in Germany, and if all goes well it would seem that the day would come when this fair young woman, whose face is sad and severe as that of a nun, will hold great power in the Russian empire, to which she came so reluctantly and with tears as bitter as those of Iphigenia.—English Exchange.

Clothes For Hot Weather.

Hot weather is entirely prostrating to those out of condition and it is trying enough to the most robust, but it is possible to create degrees in our discomfort and to make it more or less positive under weather which sends the mercury skyrocketing among the nineties.

If we eat, drink and dress properly and eschew fussing, we are decidedly happier and cooler than when we allow any reversal of one of these conditions.

In the matter of clothing, woman is her own tyrant. Men learned long ago that a costume which allows of circulation, of absorption of perspiration and of an occasional passage of air between the body and clothes, is the only sane dress for summer. A woman begins wrong with the corsets, and ends wrong with her lined and boned dress waist, her tight garters and her neck held in a stiff white collar, and many details of the habits of individual women but add to the discomfort.

Of course, stout women suffer most from heat, and they are precisely those who squeeze into tight clothing. Could it be established, once for all, that this tight clothing only accentuated size there would be less of it.

Some authorities recommend a light wooden garment next the skin, but while that absorbs perspiration it prevents evaporation, and in a climate like ours evaporation is necessary if we would keep cool. If any sudden change comes, those clad in flannel are impervious to cold or chill, but we have days and days of torrid weather when we rarely feel any chill for which a light wrap is not sufficient protection.

The most comfortable dress consists of a lisle thread vest or shirt, low neck and short sleeves; a corset of net—a summer corset, as it is called—and lightly boned, instead of the heavy coutil and iron affair of winter; drawers of fine, thin muslin made loose and open at the knees. A thin muslin or india silk petticoat, a thin corset cover and a dress of muslin or unlined silk made loose will be found a great relief, especially if instead of the stiff linen a piece of ribbon or white net is loosely tied around the throat. Underclothes should not be starched by the laundress, and the corset should be worn loose.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Summer Work Among the Flowers.

Go over the garden beds daily and remove all fading flowers. This is very necessary if you would keep your plants blooming. If seed is allowed to form, the plant will throw all its energies into the development of it, and you will get but few flowers, but if the process of nature is interfered with by preventing the plant from forming seed it will, as a general thing, make further efforts to perpetuate itself. In thus thwarting its efforts it can be kept flowering indefinitely. Remove all withered flowers from the lower portion of the gladioli stalks. If they are left clinging there, they soon give an untidy look to the spike. Tie the central stalk of each dahlia to a stout support, or the plant may be broken over by a sudden wind. Give morning glories stout strings to clamber on, but never attempt to train sweet peas on any support of this kind, for they will stubbornly refuse to make use of it. They like best a support of brush, but they will do very well if trained over wire netting with a coarse mesh. The netting should be at least five feet wide.

If the season is a dry one, water must be supplied to plants in the beds. Give it after sundown, to avoid the too rapid evaporation which takes place if the application is made while the sun can get at the soil. Apply it close about the roots of the plants, where it will do most good. Keep the soil loose and open. This prevents its crusting over so that water will run off instead of into it. It also enables it to act something like a sponge and absorb whatever moisture comes in the shape of dew.

If weeds were kept down well during the early part of the season, they will not need a great deal of attention now, but the gardener should make it a rule to pull up every one as soon as seen. Never allow a weed to ripen.

Grass clippings from the lawn will be found very effective as mulch about dahlias and other plants requiring a constant moisture at the roots. As soon as it begins to decay dig it into the soil about the plant and let it act as a fertilizer.—Harper's Bazar.

The Bachelor Girl's Waterloo.

Whatever success the bachelor girl may meet with in her endeavors to impress her vast superiority upon her married friends or on that sex who were once her inferiors, now her equals, there is one person on whom her lingual accomplishments, her array of badges and her air of acquired "I know it all" is entirely thrown away.

This person treats her with the same indulgent air of protection which he accords her mother and will accord her children. He alone seems to read perfectly her little bluffs and to meet her newly acquired freedom with an air of indulgent patronage which robs it of all its worth.

The Broadway policeman is the bachelor girl's Waterloo and Sedan rolled into one. Watch how he meets her, grabs her arm with no appearance of knowing he is touching a very superior article which is accustomed to being treated with unlimited quantities of respect; see him as he plays a game of

shuttlecock and battledoor with her through the clanging carts and hurrying crowds, a game in which she is the unresisting, helpless shuttlecock; notice how he lands her at length, limp, gasping, safe, if disheveled, on the opposite pavement.

The bachelor girl realizes that the Broadway squadron of the peace alone knows her as she really is—harmless, clinging, her vaunted superiority a myth, glad of masculine protection, willing to avail herself of it at critical moments. She bears him no ill will for his rude masculine strength and courage. She is grateful to him not alone that he has come so able to her rescue, but that his way of life is so humble that he will not think it necessary to betray his knowledge of her.—New York Herald.

Women as Waiters.

"The employment of women as waiters in a down town restaurant," said a hotel keeper, "need not be regarded as a sign that the work will ever be handed over to that sex to any considerable extent. There are advantages that they possess for such service, but there are, on the other hand, such drawbacks as make it certain that they would never be acceptable to the majority of men who would have to be served by them. I think the objection to them would be based chiefly on the fact that they never show especial attention to any person. I never knew a woman who waited on a man to trouble herself in the least about the manner in which she served him. It makes absolutely no difference whether they receive liberal tips or not. They may be quiet near and quick, but they would never pick out one piece of beef because it was better than another or make any effort to get the best of what was to be had in the kitchen. That sort of attention makes a man worth his fee to the men who tip him. It is this special service that makes a waiter superior to the best of his associates. Women never detect any difference between the quality of one dish and another. They are all the same, and good service requires merely that they shall be set down noiselessly and brought quickly. There the service of the waitress ends. She can beat any man at those features of the business. But she cannot select for him anything better than the rest of the customers get. Usually she does not notice any difference in them. That deficiency is the safeguard of the waiter and will keep his place secure for him."—New York Sun.

Miss Balfour.

Miss Balfour, who acts as hostess at her brother's many political parties, is not the least brilliant member of her remarkable family. Like her sisters, Mrs. Sidgwick and Lady Rayleigh, she is deeply interested in all the problems of modern life, and, though chance has made her necessarily play a considerable role in the Conservative party, she has never been a particularly active member of any political association, and she is undoubtedly more interested in her brother's philosophical labors than in the great position he has won for himself as leader of the Tory party in the house of commons. Miss Balfour herself wields a very clever pen, as was shown in amusing accounts of her sojourn in South Africa, and of her adventures nearer home when acting as her brother's alter ego in some of the wilder districts of Ireland. Lord Salisbury considered her more like his sister, the late Lady Blanche Balfour, than any of his other nieces. She is a charming and unassuming hostess and possesses the gift of making even the least known of her guests thoroughly at home and at ease. Mr. Cecil Rhodes, who is credited with being something of a misogynist, has a great admiration for Miss Balfour. He did everything in his power to make her visit in South Africa a pleasant one, and since he has been in England he has been several times her guest in Downing street.—Ladies' Field.

A New Danger.

Public schoolteachers must be on the lookout for "gumbacco," which is a combination of chewing tobacco and gum, and which is now sold in many candy and tobacco stores. A Chicago teacher discovered that it was largely used by the pupils, and she found it was sold in the nearby stores. She warned the proprietors that they would be prosecuted under the anticigarette law if they sold it any more.—Woman's Tribune.

A space is to be set aside in the Congressional library for literature of the woman suffrage movement, and Miss Anthony will be invited to place there her letters, papers, etc., to be kept intact and known as the Susan B. Anthony collection.

Memorial services have been held for Miss Willard almost the world over. The Union Signal in its last issue gives correspondence from South Africa and Australia describing services which were held at many places on the 20th of March.

An expert advises that a few drops of camphor in the water in which the face is bathed in warm weather will do much to remove the shiny appearance of the skin which is apt to be an accompaniment of a hot day.

Among the pretty curtains for doorways in the summer are the Indian cotton prints in wool effects. These have palm leaf patterns, and at a little distance take on the appearance of a fine cashmere shawl.

The latest Paris belts are studded with oxidized nails, and they are said to be beautifully odd. The newest American styles are decorated with flags and military emblems.

Miss Hannah Knudsen, a bright young woman of Swedish birth, has just been installed as professor of nursing in the University of Texas.

FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

AMUSING FACTS.

Natural History as It Was Taught to Our Grandmothers.

In these days of nature study for children, when buds and flowers, chrysalids and caterpillars, are kept in school-rooms, when the dates of the coming of the birds and the blooming of wild flowers are noted on the blackboard and when such outdoor classics as the writings of John Burroughs and Mrs. Olive Thorne Miller are used for supplementary reading in schools, it is entertaining indeed to turn back to the instructions in natural history commonly accorded to our parents and grandparents in their school days. It was often striking, but it was not always accurate.

One lady of middle age remembers well being taught that among the wild beasts inhabiting Africa the most terrible was a great ape, whose habit it was to hide in trees and when an unhappy native passed below to let down a long and sinewy hind leg, seize him around the throat with the handlike foot thereon, strangle him and pull him up into the branches to be devoured.

Another lady, somewhat older, remembers with horror a poem which she had learned to recite, of which one verse ran cheerfully:

The crocodile upon the Nile
For children lies in wait.
His jaws have caught the boy at sport
And dragged him to his fate.

So strong was the impression upon her mind that it was long before it occurred to her than any food other than innocent infancy would be acceptable to crocodiles. Less gressome, despite its opening line, is the verse from a once popular schoolbook quoted by a recent writer in the Boston Transcript:

The spotted tiger's fond of blood,
The pigeon feeds on peas,
The duck will gobble in the mud,
The mice will eat your cheese,
A lobster's black, when boiled, he's red;
The harmless lamb must bleed.
The codfish has a clumsy head,
The goose on grass will feed.

Simpler even than this highly unscientific catalogue was a zoological alphabet which a pupil, now many years out of school, was trying the other day to remember:

A for the ape that so artfully grins,
B for the bullfinch that warbles and sings.
It opened, with an easy disregard to correct rhyme, and it rapidly proceeded to
G for grizzily with terrible growl,
H for hyena with hideous growl,
I for the igloo that giant fowl.

Beyond that recollection would not carry her, and she admitted reluctantly that, although the this may really be "big game" in his native haunts, that alternative Hibernian adjective was a substitution of her own in place of a forgotten word.—Youth's Companion.

My Sailor of Seven.

My sailor of seven, your ship be a clipper,
And sturdy the heart of its dear little skipper!
Remember, lest later you learn it with
wailing,
The oceans of life are not always plain
sailing.
If just be your cause and the foe's in the
offing.



Ne'er haul down your flag for his threats
or his scoffing,
But stand to your wheel, do not show the
white feather.
Through seas rough or smooth, be it war
or bad weather,
From haven of home unto harbor of
heaven,
Your voyage be happy, my sailor of seven!
—Gerald Brennan in St. Nicholas.

Questions to Answer.

Most of us would be very much puzzled if we were asked to explain some of the commonplace happenings of everyday life. For instance, suppose some one should ask, "What makes cheese get moldy and what is the mold?"

The following questions relate to matters within the experience of all of us, but see if you can answer them without considerable investigation, and your eyes can only find part of the answers for you, for some of the questions deal with an unseen but exceedingly important part of nature. Talk over the questions with your parents, friends and teachers. If you have access to any books on natural history, seek in them for the necessary information. Here are the questions:

What are ferments? Where are they found? What is fermentation? What produces fermentation in fruit juices? Why do fermenting liquids appear to boil? How many kinds of fermentation can you find? What causes the foam on top of beer? Why do jars filled with preserves sometimes burst? What is done to prevent this? How does yeast make bread rise? How does the yeast plant multiply? What causes animal and vegetable substances to decay? Why is it necessary that these substances should decay?—Chicago Record.

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To-day Mamie Lott, of Richmond, Ind., is one of the Happiest of Girls—What She Did.

From the Daily Palladium, Richmond, Ind.

The heroism of a young girl who, in spite of terrible suffering, keeps the fact of her illness from her parents, fearing that if they knew the truth she will not be allowed to continue in attendance at school, cannot but excite admiration. Such a heroine is Mamie Lott, the twelve-year-old daughter of S. A. Lott, the well-known letter-carrier of Richmond, Ind. She had been a sufferer from hip disease and it was feared she would never recover. Her story was related to a reporter by her father as follows:

"Five years ago," said Mr. Lott, "Mamie was taken with what is known as hip-joint disease. We began doctoring with a local physician. After three years' treatment she was pronounced cured, though she was not altogether well. At one time the doctor told the neighbors the girl would linger a short time and then die as she had consumption."

"Last September Mamie started to attend school. She soon began to suffer from her old trouble, but did not say anything about it for fear she would be kept out of school. One day on her way to school she almost fainted, and the children told us about it. She had such fearful suffering with her hip that she could not stand it any longer. I did not want to go to doctoring again if I could find any remedy that would answer the purpose, and as I had been reading and studying over the matter I bought a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People at Charles L. Magan's drug store."

"She began taking them according to directions. That was near October 1st. After she had taken one box, color came into her cheeks and lips, and her general health improved rapidly."

"We kept her out of school four weeks. She had been taking the medicine since, and the improvement in the crippled limb is wonderful."

"Just then a rosy-cheeked girl tripped into the room and hurried away bashfully. 'That's the girl. You can see how healthy she looks,' said Mr. Lott. 'She plays with the other children and can skip the rope as well as any of them without any noticeable bad effect.'"

"I am grateful to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company for making such a medicine, and I am glad to tell the story so that others may be helped, the same as we have been. The medicine saved me hundreds of dollars in doctor's bills. The girl is now in better health than she has ever been."

"I will be glad to have anyone write me regarding this story, provided stamp for reply is enclosed."

Mr. Lott's address is 174 Bridge Avenue, Richmond, Ind.

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BLUEBIRD.

Cheerily, earth! Be glad and sing—
Love is above; the year's at the spring.

Face of the sky on his azure wings,
The warm brown earth on his homely breast,
And, springing between them, in double birth

Of the changeless sky and the changing earth,
This voice of the spring's first herald blest!

O earth, be glad! The brown breast heaves,
For God is above! The wings upstare—
Is this thy message, for mortals heard?

Since heaven and earth can touch in a bird,
Perhaps they are never so far apart?

Cheerily, earth! Be glad and sing—
Love is above; the year's at the spring.

—William J. Long in Youth's Companion.

A DAREDEVIL DEED.

There was no moon. The night was a perfect one. The vaulted heavens were studded with stars, which scintillated with faultless brilliancy.

"It is strange they do not come," muttered Lawton, as he impatiently paced the beach. "If he keeps monkeying around with those pigtailed, we'll be nabbed yet."

Joe McAllister, ostensibly a fisherman, was the only confidant and fellow worker Lawton had. A sharp, shrewd Scotchman, hard headed and as cool as ice in times of danger, Joe had more than once acquitted himself to his companion's full satisfaction. Of medium height, with a scrubby, sandy beard, covering nearly his entire face, he presented a somewhat ludicrous appearance, but a glance at the small, sharp, gray eyes, which gleamed from beneath his heavy eyebrows, would convince the beholder Joe was no fool. His sunburned countenance was surmounted by a shock of coarse, rebellious, red hair, which had a fashion of peeping out from under the rim of his hat with impudence characteristic of the wearer.

Light footsteps were heard jogging along the road, and, while satisfied it was McAllister with the contraband Chinamen, Lawton, with his usual caution, stepped into the shadow of a tree until reassured by a short, low whistle, which he answered.

"How many?" was Lawton's salutation.

"Four."

"Humph! You'll get us caught yet, Joe, with your lagging back."

"Hoot, mon! Ye dinna ken the twirls and twists of these jibberin devils. They're like a lot of old women with their chatter."

"Well, be quick," said Lawton, with the imperious air of command natural to him. "And the pay?"

"I've got it, mon, \$200, right in my pocket. D'ye suppose I'd be a-foolin wid thim if not? Indeed no."

At a signal from Joe four shadowy forms glided out of the darkness, and with chattering teeth took the places indicated for them in the stern of the boat.

Joe and Lawton silently divested themselves of their coats, and shoving out into the stream pulled swiftly toward the shadow of the island, hugging its protecting gloom until they cleared the point. Here they rested upon their oars, listening intently for sounds of pursuit.

The smuggling of Chinamen had gone on to such an extent that the United States government was making extra efforts to put a stop to it.

A system of patrol had been inaugurated extending along the line, and it was a hazardous undertaking to run the gantlet.

The current of the river as it struck off the American shore set in toward the island which divided it, causing it to recoil with much swiftness, quickly sending them down stream.

Their destination being a point below, where their cargo would be met by a conveyance and then driven inland to catch an early train for the west, Lawton and his companion lost no time in pulling for the Michigan shore. The oars were muffled, so there was complete silence.

Suddenly the regular dip of oars was heard, the length of the stroke designating to the quick ear of the smugglers the presence of trained sailors pulling in man-of-war style.

With set teeth the fugitives—for such they had become—shot their boat back into the shadow and breathlessly rested on their oars, listening to the regular click of the oars of their pursuers.

These seemed to be rounding the point of the island from the Canadian shore.

"Are you sure of what you say?" came a deep, stern voice dancing over the water.

"Perfectly, sir," came the reply. "There were four of them in company with a short, thickset man, but they drove like the devil down the river road and thus eluded me. They must have embarked somewhere in this vicinity, and that's why I shot the signal."

"You did right. Confound it, it's getting as black as your hat, and you might as well look for a needle in a haystack as for these venturesome devils. Starboard! We'll pull for the cutter and make a running chase with the searchlight."

With this the click of the oars grew fainter, and for a moment the two men and their now thoroughly frightened companions breathed easier.

"By —, we've got to pull for it now, Joe," said Lawton in an undertone. "If they get that infernal electricity on us, it's all up."

Pudence was thrown to the winds. The muffers on the oars were removed, and the two men set themselves down to their work in earnest. Their muscles, standing out like whiplashes, plied back and forth under the skin with clocklike regularity, while their light draft, narrow boat shot forward at marvelous speed.

As the commander had said, it was indeed dark. Clouds of inky blackness now obscured the firmament, from out of which lightning shot with vivid brilliancy. The roll of distant thunder and

low sighing of the wind, the advance guard of the storm, told the smugglers of a new danger in their path.

Between the roar of the now increasing peals of thunder there came down to the perspiring men the "clank, clank, clank," of the windlass, accompanied by the "Heave, ho!" of the sailors as the anchor was being raised.

A flash of blinding brilliancy from the searchlight illuminated the darkness, then settled down to a steady glare, as it was slowly turned up and down the river.

By this time the waters were being churned into foam by the wind and the sea was rapidly rising. Presently came the patter, patter, patter, of the big drops as skirmishers. Then came the downpour.

The floodgates of heaven seemed open, while peal after peal of thunder followed the incessant flashes of the lightning. Lawton and Joe kept steadily at their oars, but the great strain was beginning to tell on them, when to their joy the shore loomed up on their starboard bow.

The searchlight, however, was also coming, and so was the cutter.

Nearer and nearer came the glare across the water until first one arm, then the body, of one of the terrified Chinamen was within its focus. Presently the entire boat was in the broad path of light.

"Boat ahoy!" came from the cutter.

"Pull, Joe, pull!" growled Lawton.

"We'll make it yet."

"Boat ahoy!" came down the breeze.

The only reply was a blinding flash, which came simultaneously with a deafening crash, followed immediately by the rending of timber and a cry of agony.

The cutter's mainmast had been struck.

For a moment all was confusion. Then the commander's stern voice was heard: "Take him below. To the light! Don't let those men escape."

The brief interval of confusion had given the tired rovers an advantage of which they were not slow to avail themselves.

"Give 'em a shot across their bows, Tom. Easy, man, easy! Aim close, but don't shatter them this time."

Scarcely were the words out of the captain's mouth when the small gun belched forth a fiery order to stop.

Whistling through the atmosphere the leaden messenger, true to the gunner's aim, buried itself with a thud in the seething water about ten feet ahead of the boat.

"Egad, they're a nery set!" said the commander as the smugglers only redoubled their efforts to gain the shore.

"Hard a-starboard, there! Quick!" he roared. "Run inside of them and shut them out. Bear down close, but watch out and don't run them down."

The last hope of the fugitives had fled. Lawton turned in his seat and said calmly to Joe, "It's all up, partner; we're caught like rats in a trap."

Suddenly, like one seized with the frenzy of despair, the desperate speaker gave a quick, vigorous stroke with his right oar, thus throwing the frail craft directly in the steamer's path.

The captain saw the move and rang the backing bell, but too late; the sharp prow of the vessel cut through the boat like a knife, cleaving her in two.

A wild shriek of despair rang out on the night air and was borne away on the wings of the storm. The turbulent waters embraced six struggling forms. Life preservers were quickly thrown into the stream, while the pinnace was lowered in a hurry. The crew went vigorously about the work of rescue and succeeded in getting four out of the six.

One Chinaman and Lawton were missing. Nothing could be seen of the former, while the latter's head could be discerned bobbing up and down on the waves as he struck out for shore. The cutter's boat at once gave chase, when suddenly the swimmer threw up his hands, and, with one wild cry, disappeared from view and was seen no more.

He deliberately sought death rather than be captured. So the officers thought.

In a small cabin nestling amid the timber on a back road some miles from Windsor sat a woman. Her once handsome face showed the lines of care. While rocking the baby to and fro her dark eyes kept wandering to the door with an anxious expression as she listened to the storm without. From her faithful heart a prayer went up for the safety of her husband, the daring smuggler.

Lawton was a lawbreaker, an enemy of society, and should be suppressed, but he was all in all to this woman in the woods, who watched for his coming so eagerly. It was to be his last trip and they would again seek their home in Virginia. His father had forgiven the marriage against his wishes. Wealth and comfort awaited the pair.

"Will he never come?" she said as she laid her sleeping infant on the bed. The wind sang mournfully around the corner of the cabin. Hark, there were the snapping of twigs and a heavy footfall on the doorstep.

The flood of light from within shone on the dripping figure of the smuggler as his wife opened the door. The expression of savage triumph gave way to love light in his eyes, as unheeding his dripping garments she clasped her arms around him with a murmured, "Thank God, you are safe."

"You will stop now, won't you?" she continued, gazing at him with her soul in her eyes.

Softly he stroked the brown hair, thinly streaked with gray, and whispered in her ear.

A bright light spread over her face as she led the drenched man inside and closed the door.

The storm was over. The rising sun caressingly touched the top of the humble home. A squirrel scurried out of the open door. The hut was empty. A new day had also dawned for the daring lawbreaker, now on his way to his southern home.—Detroit Tribune.

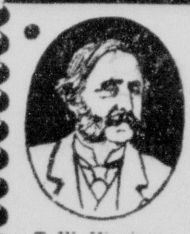
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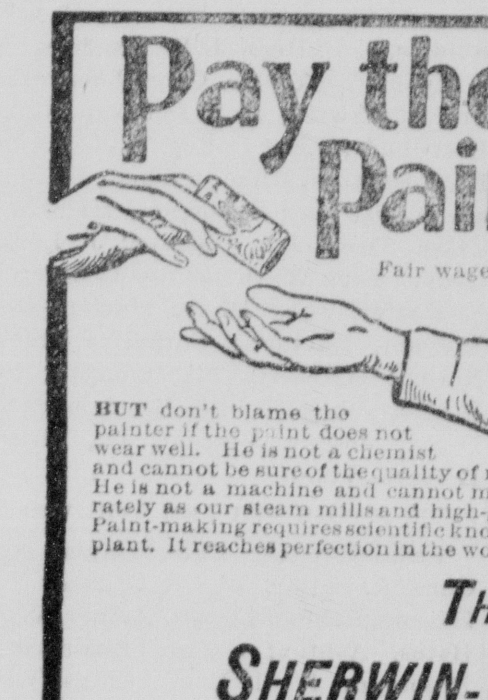
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Mon.	6	24	27	27	6	—
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Wed.	16	12	6	19	6	—
Thurs.	1	17	4	17	1	—
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That you made an hour ago.

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After the toll of the day.
And smoothes the furrows plowed by care,
The lines of the forehead you once called
fair.

In the years that have flown away.
'Tis a little thing to say, "You are kind,"
"I love you my dear," each night;
For it sends at thrill through the heart, I find—
For love is tender, as love is blind,—
As we climb life's rugged height.

We starve each other for love's caress;
We take, but we do not give,
It seems so easy some soul to bless,
But we dole the love grudgingly, less and
less.

Till 'tis bitter and hard to live.

—W. Reed of Ashton was here yester-
day.

—Miss Mary Van Arnam is out from
Chicago.

—J. H. Bender of Freeport is at the
Hotel Bishop.

The pipe organ for St. Paul's Luth-
eran church has arrived.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Herwick
were here from Franklin Grove.

—Prof. M. L. Carnelle has an an-
nouncement folded in this evening's
paper.

—Advertisements changed this even-
ing: J. H. Morris & Son; Simon's
Confectionary.

—County Superintendent I. F. Ed-
wards is up from Amboy and stopping
at the Nachusa house.

—J. W. Merritt of Chicago, a pleas-
ing baritone singer, will take part in
the services tomorrow morning and
evening in the M. E. church.

—Knight Templars will meet at the
assembly at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow after-
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mony over the remains of the late Sir
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residents of Palmyra, now living at
Sterling, celebrated their sixty-third
wedding anniversary yesterday. Mr.
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Pennsylvania in 1837, is over 94 years
of age and in good health. His es-
timable companion is nearly as old.

—Sterling Standard: "The small
baby of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard May,
whose other child was burned to death
Thursday, nearly met death from suffo-
cation Thursday night. The child was
sleeping between its mother and an-
other lady and in some-manner slipped
down under the bed clothes. When
discovered the child was unconscious."

Grand Jury for January.

Following is a list of the grand jurors
for the January, 1899, term of the cir-
cuit court:

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Heibenthal, Bradford; Geo. Florentz,
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Kentner, Palmyra; P. J. Andes, Rey-
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Easter, Sublette; Xavier Gebant, Viola;
R. J. Thompson, Willow Creek; Philip
Niebergal, Wyoming.

PETIT JURORS, 2ND AND 3RD WEEKS.

Dan Bonker, W. O. Bradley, Alto;
Ed. Campbell, W. C. Dyer, Amboy;
Lester Fletcher, Ashton; H. S. Hart,
Bradford; Henry Dierdorff, Albert
Jones, China; Chas. Fellows, Geo. E.
Shields, J. L. Hess, J. W. Sanders, E.
J. Ryan, Nick Bly, Conrad Salzman,
Frank Lawton, Dan Donovan, Chris
Blackburn, Peter Duffey, T. W. Fuller,
Eli Rosenthal, Dixon; Chas. W. Mer-
chant, Howard Anderson, Hamilton;
Thos. Drew, Jr., Harmon; J. LeRoy
Gray, Mark Warnick, Lee Center; A.
E. Keefe, John Hane, Marion; Geo.
Weyant, Nachusa; Cornelius Vroom,
Nelson; H. E. Nuller, Palmyra; Ned
White, Sublette; Jules Brechon, South
Dixon; Joseph Vincent, Jr., Modest
Bresson, Viola.

PETIT JURORS, 4TH AND 5TH WEEKS:

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Bourne, Samuel Edams, Amboy; W. H.
Bates, Ashton; George Zimmerman,
Brooklyn; J. H. Engel, China; W. F.
Weaver, Carl Page, P. G. Lord, John
T. Laing, Thos. Sullivan, J. B. Pom-
eroy, Rob. Carpenter, Thos. Kahler,
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rick Barrett, East Grove; Chas. Peach,
Hamilton; Michael Gorman, William
Dowd, Harmon; E. J. Gray, Lee Cen-
ter; Jas. Duffy, May; A. C. Miller, Na-
chusa; S. M. Sleasman, Palmyra; John
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